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Jasper's Note Book

Dr. Grenfell, our visitor of this week, is a man who has done something really worth while and, like most of those who have, conveys above everything else an impression of genuine modesty and total absence of what is known as "side." A portion of one of the addresses that he gave especially deserves quoting.

"I don't want to be placed on a pedestal as a hero," he declared. "I do this work because I like it."

"I have just recently visited Florida, and I would prefer to live in Labrador. It is easier to get warm in a cold country than it is to keep cool in a warm country. If faced with the alternative of freezing and roasting, I think I would prefer the former. Of course, we lack many of the so-called comforts of civilization but we can do without them. I believe that since I came out I have run far greater danger from eating too much than ever I did in Labrador from eating too little. One gets such a good appetite there that one can relish a simple meal without the aid of sauce."

This is a cheerful philosophy and we can stand an application of the spirit of it without going to Labrador. Most of the things that we long most ardently for we are very much better without. When a man hears Dr. Grenfell talk as he did of the bleak coast where he had done his great work, it should make him ashamed of the unreasonableness of some of the complaints that he has indulged in from time to time over things as he has found them in this part of the world.

We do not hear the creakers as often as we did a few years ago. But as long as that loving friend of Canada's, the London Journal, John Bull, is in existence some of them will apparently always be able to get into print. The following appeared in its columns the other day:—

We are still hearing from our many friends in Canada, 'Calgary has been boomed very much,' says one of them, 'but a greater part of the so-called prosperity is merely on paper.' Here, as in the eastern part of this 'God's Own Country,' sham, shoddy, lying laziness, and the most fearful conceit reign supreme. A sixteen years' resident told me the other day that if a Canadian ceased to swear he would lose the power of speech, for this is his natural means of expressing his thoughts and feelings. One is constantly told that there is no poor there. How is it then that The Morning Albertan recently stated that the number of nameless graves of unknown people who have died through starvation would astonish the inhabitants." They talk out here of 'Canada for the Canadians.' What I say to people at home is, 'Let 'em have it.'"

As there have been no such persons die of starvation, the Albertan will not find much difficulty in having its denial accepted that it ever made the statement referred to. What object John Bull can have in pursuing its lying campaign it is impossible to understand.

As we come to learn more of the parts of the world that lie further from the tropics than our own, we should appreciate better the folly of casting slurs at its climatic conditions. Captain Raold Amundson in the striking narrative which he gave to the public this week told how the 14th of December was a most beautiful sunny day at the South Pole, the thermometer standing but nine and a half degrees below zero. There were few places in Canada that could stand comparison with it just about that time.

Or think of the mild, bright weather that Alberta has enjoyed for two months back and then look at the illustrations that some of the Ontario newspapers are publishing, showing the way everything has been tied up there by excessive cold and heavy blizzards. In the Toronto Star Weekly, for instance, is an illustration of three engines in action behind a snow plow, trying to get the line between Toronto and Owen Sound clear.

The Edmonton council has been holding back the annual grant to the Board of Trade, a proposal having been made that a publicity bureau be established to take over the work that the Board has done in exchange for the money which it has received each year.

Considerable criticism of the methods which have been employed was given expression to at the council board. Little of this was well founded. The Board has not adopted the sensational methods that have been followed by many of the publicity bureaus that other cities have created and some people art accordingly led to believe that it has been cheap. Nothing could be further from the truth.

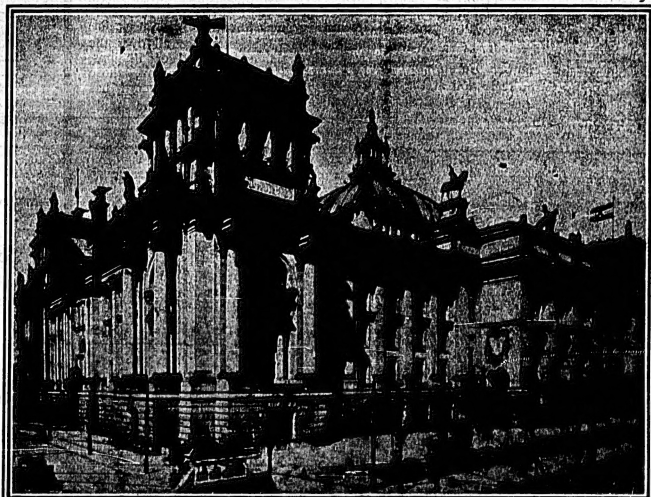
information which Mr. Fisher has given them and the pains that he has gone to in looking after them while here they have freely acknowledged and the testimony which they have given of Edmonton and its territory has been such that no purchased space in the publications for which they write could approach it in usefulness.



H. R. H. THE DUKE OF CONNAUGHT AT WASHINGTON.

One only needs to travel about a little or be a fairly constant reader of the newspapers and magazines, published at a distance, to realize what an amount of the most useful publicity Edmonton has received as a result of the quiet but steady work which has been done under the direction of Mr. Fisher, the Board of Trade secretary. It is very doubtful if any western city ever has been given as

wide a variety of visitors go through the Board of Trade rooms in the course of a single month. The man who is making investigations quietly with a view to having some enterprise that will contribute to the upbuilding of the country and the city, launched invariably comes away pleased and satisfied with what has been done for him in the pursuit of his task. The importance of all this should not be minimized.



ASSEMBLY HALL OF THE GERMAN REICHSTAG

In Which the National Legislature of the Kaiser's Empire which was Elected Recently Will Meet.

effective advertising at so small a cost. Flaring displays, at a heavy rate per inch, in the advertising columns of certain eastern mediums, have been indulged in spasmodically by rival publicity agencies. But it is certain that they have not accomplished anything like as much as the policy which has been adopted in Edmonton of paying close attention to particular individuals who were in a position to spread the intelligence of what we have to offer.

Scores of journalists have come through the West in recent years for the purpose of finding out the truth regarding the country. The value of the

fact. But the public at large knows little of the work of this character that is going on. One has to be in close touch with the activities of the Board to appreciate the service that it is rendering and it would be a mistake to alter the lines on which it has been proceeding in the past.

An action against the city for damages arising out of an accident on the bridge across the river has been successful. Only a small sum was awarded and the municipality may consider itself in luck, not only on this account but in view of the fact

that under the conditions that have existed for a long while back there have not been more catastrophes and their legal consequences to deal with.

The traffic which has to pass over this structure is reaching enormous proportions and the high level and the east-end bridges cannot be finished a day too soon for public safety and convenience. In the meanwhile, the utmost precautions are imperative on the old one. With the development that is taking place on the south side the coming season is bound to see its capacity badly strained.

Mayor Armstrong has decided that the post-office on the south side of the river should be known as Edmonton A. This is awkward. There would be no harm in continuing to designate it simply "Strathcona Post-office, Edmonton."

The name Strathcona will undoubtedly be used in conversation for a great many years as applying to a district of Edmonton. Brooklyn has been part of the Greater City of New York for upwards of ten years now and there is no tendency to drop the name. The same is true of Parkdale in Toronto and of sections of other cities that were once independent municipalities. Whatever it is decided to call the post-office on Whyte Avenue officially people will refer to it as the Strathcona office and they might as well be followed.

The council gave the latest proposition for the establishment of a gas plant no consideration at all, simply stating that the people wanted a municipal plant and that there was no use discussing the giving of a franchise to a company.

There is no conclusive evidence that popular opinion is as interpreted by the council. When the Facon proposal was submitted it fell only a few votes short of receiving the approval of two-thirds of the electorate. In that instance there was not a particle of prejudice against the company which was seeking the privilege. It had already been granted a franchise and had failed to act upon it in the time specified. Besides the men behind the enterprise were strangers.

Those who sought to do business with the city during the past week were Alberta citizens of high standing. They were willing to put up \$50,000 that they would have five miles of gas mains completed by November 15th and supply gas at a price which would compare very favorably with that paid by other cities in the Dominion.

On the face of it their proposition looked like a good one and it was at least well worth going into and passing on to the citizens to express their opinion of it. The cost of taking the vote would be met by the company.

"We have plenty of work to do," Ald. East is reported to have said, "to carry out the vast improvements that are under way in the city and we have not the time to go into this matter."

Because the city has so much else to do looks to some people as a pretty good reason why it would be wise to turn over the duty of supplying gas to a company, provided that an equitable arrangement could be made with it.

Gas is badly needed. Has the council any assurance that it will be able to supply it to the citizens by the 15th of November or that it will be able to sell it as cheaply as the company offered to, and at the same time make the enterprise pay its way? These are questions that the mayor and aldermen should answer.

An effort should be made to have the question reopened.

The Toronto Globe says:—

"An Edmonton man has sold for \$850,000 145 acres of land in that city he bought for \$1,450 in 1898. The men who do business and live in Edmonton will for untold generations have to pay over \$50,000 a year as interest on that one man's share of the unearned increment. No wonder Edmonton has decided in favor of the taxation of land values rather than improvements."

The city's taxation system is a good thing in itself, and incidentally it has been the means of giving us a very valuable advertisement. Nor are those with property to sell likely to overlook the advertising value of such a comment on the upward trend of prices as the above. The advance noted is sensational but it is no more than in keeping with the actual progress that has been made in the fourteen year period referred to. The jump in bank clearings is quite as marked as that in land.

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The Playboy Who Has Become the Disturber of The Western World

The Court Theatre in Sloane Square is where such Londoners as care for the genius of Yeats and Synge and Lady Gregory resort to enjoy the work of the Irish players. Now these same Irish players have been arrested in Philadelphia for immorality, after having had police protection in New York. As everyone knows, the Irish are a moral people. There is no hint of immorality in "The Playboy of the Western World," but having seen this play by John Synge it must appear the most natural thing in the world to a Canadian that the Irish-American should desire to have the Irish players arrested.

John Synge, an Irishman of genius, was discovered by Yeats in the Latin Quarter of Paris, about 1900. He was studying German and French literature, and before that had wandered over Europe playing his fiddle to Italian sailors and listening to stories in Bavarian woods. Yeats advised him to "give up Paris, go to the Aran Islands, live there as if you were one of the people themselves, express a life that has never found expression." He wrote half a dozen plays, and a book of poems, using as he said "no other words but those he had heard used by the Aran peasants." He died in 1909 under an operation in Dublin in his thirty-eight year.

"The Playboy of the Western World," opens in a little country inn. Christie, a peasant boy, comes to this inn at night, a rough depressed youth, frightened and uncouth. Pegen Mike, whose father keeps the inn, gets his story out of him. He had had a life passing all endurance with his father, who worked him in the fields night and day, and finally threatened him with an old wife who had a little money. The boy refused, and the father beat him to the point of exasperation, when he lifted his "loy" and split his father's skull. So he was the murderer of his father and scared out of his wits.

But Pegen Mike and her father and the drinkers who frequented the inn think Christie a wonderful boy, an heroic murderer. Three girls and a widow in the neighborhood come to gaze at him. They all want to marry him. He is the catch and hero of the neighborhood. Christie's spirit revives under this treatment and he becomes a most engaging and adventurous youth, beating every contestant in the countryside at running and "lepping" and such-like sports. He is madly in love with Pegen and Pegen Mike is madly in love with him. Synge's extraordinary poetical endowment rises to its height in the scenes between Pegen Mike and Christie. The moon and the stars come into the room when they are talking love to one another. All the great love of all the world, Helen of Troy, Nroo, and Lysander, well might envy these two Irish peasants the ecstatic words in which they reveal how they love each other.

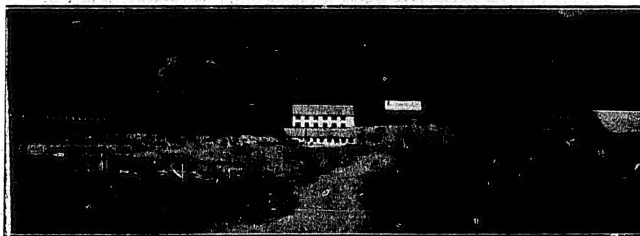
While all this is going on Christie's father, who has not been killed after all, comes to the inn looking for a cowardly, lying, good-for-nothing son who had hit him out in the fields. Christie falls at his feet, the embodiment of craven fear. All his admirers turn against him, even Pegen Mike. Frantic at losing her love, he means to regain it, and rushing out again with a "loy," he kills his father the second time. But instead of admiring him for it, the company now mean to hand him over to the police and Pegen helps to tie him with ropes. During a scene which would distress any heart, the father, still alive, crawls into the room, his head tied up with a bloody rag. But now he is convinced that he has the finest son in the world. He invites Christie home with him. He can have anything he wants. Together they would make an invincible partnership. Pegen Mike and the company are again struck with admiration for the

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Music and Drama

Arnold Daly, in a miscellaneous entertainment at the Plaza Hotel in New York recited part of Wilde's "Ballad of Reading Jail," under unusual circumstances. The Tribune recounts them: "Before the recitation began the lights were suddenly turned out leaving the audience in total darkness. Slowly the curtains parted and revealed a long shaft of golden light, which slanted through a small grated window high up at one side of the stage and fell upon a figure in convict's garb in the opposite corner, sitting in a wooden chair and leaning forward on a bare wooden table, head buried between his arms. The room was a reproduction of Wilde's cell in Reading. Slowly the figure stirred, turned heavily and looked up into the face of sunlight, then spoke the opening words. Mr. Daly has a pliable voice, and the kind of force that brought a deeply personal feeling out of the lines. When the voice ceased and the curtains were slowly drawn together the audience was in a spell of silence, each one thinking his own thoughts, and it was some time before the applause came."

Paris dispatches record the triumph at the Opera



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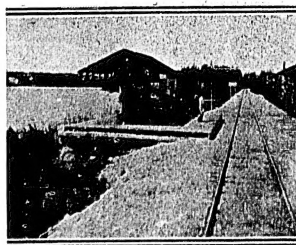
All the British business world is talking of the amazing enterprise of Sir Owen Philipps, familiarly styled the colossus of shipping. Still on the right side of fifty, his exploits as a business builder have placed him in the very front line of the magnates of commerce.

All this has been achieved in seven strenuous years. Sir Owen Philipps first began to make good when he took charge of the affairs of the Royal Mail Steam Packet Company, which he reorganized and raised to a position of financial security. This done,

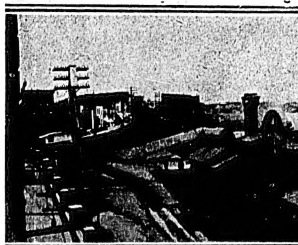
ever controlled totaling 300 ships, with a tonnage of 1,270,000. Merchants are now asking one another if the Philipps combine is out after a corner in shipping and persistent rumor has already marked out the Orient Line as the next prize.

Before Sir Owen Philipps hustled to such startling effect in British shipping circles, he sampled life as a politician, and entered Parliament in 1906 as a Liberal member of a Welsh constituency. He did not offer himself for reelection at the last general election, and thus cut short a promising political career.

He is one of three brothers, all well over six feet in height, and all self-made millionaires. These sons of a Welsh parson lost their father early, and their mother, a sister of the fifth Baron Wynford, devoted herself to securing the best education for her boys, for she had no fortune to give them. She has succeeded beyond her hopes. Besides the colossus of shipping, there is Lord St. Davids, a name to conjure with in big financial undertakings all over the world, and Col. Ivor Philipps, M.P., for Southampton, whose political and military record has been in keeping with the family prowess in other fields.



Seekinika, headquarters of the Scandinavian colony



Cobalt, from a hotel balcony

he cooperated with Lord Pirrie in the formation of the large shipping trade managed by the late Sir Alfred Jones, and amalgamated the two interests into one concern, with a capital of ten million dollars.

Realizing the importance of the future opportunities in the Far East that will follow the opening of the Panama Canal, he secured control of the Pacific Steam Navigation Company and at one bound became a magnate in the South African field by the absorption of the Union-Castle Line. By this final deal Sir Owen Philipps becomes the boss of the greatest mercantile fleet any one man has

In spite, however, of his absorption in his shipping combine, Sir Owen is not a man of one idea. He is one of the active presidents of the London and South Western Railroad and of the St. Thomas' Dock Engineering Company, vice-chairman of the Port of London, authority and chairman of the West African section of the London Chamber of Commerce. And as he is also actively interested in various philanthropic institutions, one wonders what leisure he has at his disposal to use any of his four London clubs, or to visit Amroth Castle his magnificent residence in Pembrokeshire.

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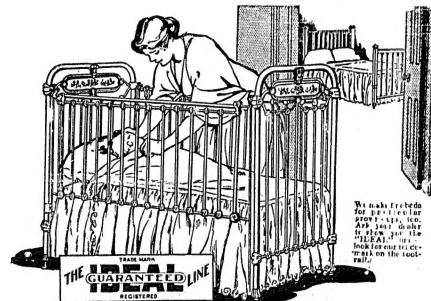
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The financial writer in London Truth says—
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motions, and I am glad to see that the British Empire
Trust Company, Limited, is speaking out plainly on
the same subject. In its annual review of the pro-
gress of the undertakings with which it is itself as-
sociated—a review of a very satisfactory character
—the company notes the existence of a tendency to
invest in Canada without discrimination, and ex-
presses the fear that great sums of money will be
lost, "as there are already a number of absolutely
hopeless Canadian schemes floated and seeking flo-
tation." It adds the excellent advice that investors
should place money only in enterprises with direc-
tors of good standing, and only in securities issued on
the responsibility of some bank or well-established
London house, first of all inquiring whether such
banks or houses are merely collecting the subscrip-
tions or are willing to take the moral responsibility
of making the issues. Canada offers a fine field for
investment, but there, quite as much as anywhere
else, investments need to be chosen with care.
With their usual foolishness a good number of the
British public seem to have supposed that anything
with a Canadian label must be all right, and during
the past year or so Canadian promoters with more
astuteness than scruple have been taking advantage
of their folly. Nor is it only in connection with
rotten companies in the Dominion that a dismal re-
ckoning awaits many British investors. They are
also certain to have cause to repent their rashness
in purchasing lands, particularly in town lands, with-
out any knowledge of local conditions beyond what
they have heard from parties interested in selling
them.

Canadian Finance, Winnipeg, says—

"The party of alert young business men from
Camrose, Alta., who are now touring Ontario and
Quebec with a demonstration car frankly admitted
that they had certain things to do as well as others
to accomplish. With not a few sound reasons to
present as to the desirability of Camrose as a busi-
ness and freight distributing centre throughout a rich
mixed-farming and coal-producing area, they had
also to overcome some prejudice. This had arisen
on account of the over-booming of outlying sub-
divisions—by 'rank outsiders,' he said, rather than
by Camrose men themselves.

"A member of the party told Canadian Finance of
an Easterner's recently enquiring as to the present
value of a lot which he had purchased two years
ago. He thought it time to realize his profits. He
was told that an adjacent corner lot had recently
been sold for \$175; for his lot, an inside one, he
had paid \$300. Doubtless, his disappointment
makes it difficult to believe that Camrose, during the
two years, has essentially made healthy progress as
a town, in population, business and civic improve-
ments. Unless he has sense enough to blame the
subdivision artist (and his own credulity) he is quite
likely a knocker.

"The Alberta legislature did not see fit to enact
proposed regulations providing that all advertised
subdivision plans must show, by concentric circles,
exact distances from town-centres and also indicate
configuration. The Camrose Board of Trade sets a
good example by issuing broadcast a "circled" map
of its surrounding district, and by printing under it
the plain admonition to see before purchasing.

The February bank clearings show astounding
progress for Edmonton. The total stands at \$16,-
648,355, which is a little over a million less than
that of Ottawa and Calgary which are running nip
and tuck for fifth place. In February of last year
Edmonton stood \$8,213,880, which means an in-
crease of 102.6 per cent. Hamilton and Quebec
are left six million behind and Victoria four million.
Yet in the order of precedence in the table, Edmon-
ton stands behind even Halifax and St. John, neither
of which has half the total clearings. It looks as if
the man who prepares the table is not yet assured
that the place which Edmonton has made for itself
is a permanent one. There is no reason for think-
ing this any more than there was in the case of Cal-
gary. The two Alberta cities will within another
year rank each month right after Montreal, Tor-
onto, Winnipeg and Vancouver.

Mr. D. W. Warner, on part of whose farm on
the Clover Bar trail the new Alberta College is to
be located, sold another 74 acres of his land this
week to Hanson Bros. of Montreal at \$720 an acre.

The Calgary News-Telegram says—

"To hold a note for \$600, to refuse to take as
a full settlement \$250 cash, and then to come
back to Calgary in after years and see that same
property worth anywhere from \$2,500.00 upwards,
has been the experience of a brother of Major Li-
zarre, of Ottawa, who was in Calgary Saturday.

Major Lizarre is a veteran of the Imperial Army,
who has served in South Africa and Nigeria, but now
located in Calgary and Edmonton as president of the
Alberta and Saskatchewan Life Insurance Company,
and also president of a cereal food company, which
will have factories in both cities. Saturday he
spent some time looking over the block of property,
which in the early days, did not look as good to his
brother as \$250 cash, and he is still wondering how
it happened.

Major Lizarre is only one of many prominent
Easterners who have arrived in Calgary to locate
here during the past few weeks.

A party of British capitalists visited Edmonton
this week including Sir William Bull, M.P. for Ham-
mersley, John Cameron, E. S. Cuthers, Arthur
Thatcher and Willoughby Bullock.

They have acquired large interests in the Red
Deer district and were banqueted by the Board of
Trade of that town. They are travelling through
Canada under the escort of Mr. W. P. Bull, K.C. of
Toronto.

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Client: "By Jove, it costs more to get divorced
than to get married! What?"

Lawyer: "Well, it's worth more, isn't it?"

—London Opinion

When I cash in and my game's all played,
With the last white chip stacked up and paid;
Don't shove me under the snug green turf
In the town where I am an office serf,
Don't put me down in a danky pot
Where they bury 'em several to a lot.

No, ship me back to the hills I knew
Where I was a Man and a good man too,
A sort of a king in a vast demesne
Not simply a cog in a huge machine;
And plant me up on the mountain side
Where the cliffs are high and the view is wide
And the wind blows swift and keen and thin,
When I cash in.

When I cash in, though my ears will be
Quite deaf to the wind's shrill minstrelsy,
And the sounds I live I shall not hear,
I want to lie where the old prospectors' feet
May shake the walls of my last retreat;
And the puncher, humming a careless song
May stir them too as he rides along;
And even the thud of the miner's blast
May rock the ground where my bones are cast;
And I shall share in the miner's quest
And I know their luck in my place of rest
Whether they lose the game or win.

When I cash in.
—By Barton Braley in Pacific Monthly.

wonderful Christie. There never
was such a hero. But Christie
will have nothing to do with any
of them. He knows at last what
a hero he is and what a wonder-
ful world this is. He has been
taught what a great enjoyment
love is. One can be happier and
grander making love than doing
anything else in the world. He
casts off the countryside, the inn
and the inn people, his father and
Pegeen Mike.

She has taught him what love
is, but he has no love left for her.
The hero rushes out of the mean
little room into the world leaving
behind him a strowring company.
In accents of deepest despair and
anguish Pegeen Mike cries, "What
I have lost! I have lost the
whole world. I have lost the

TO LEAP YEAR

It is pointed out that in leap
year the man who works for a
monthly salary does an extra
day's work without extra pay.
Why don't thou leap, O year who

Like amble to the music of the
labor?
Is it a pleasant sort of trick to add
A day of unremunerative labor
To that great burden which al-
ready cracks
Our monthly toilers' back?

Not that I mind, who labor by the
piece,
Yet even I find slow resentment
smoulder,
For when thy long extended reign
shall cease
Shall I not find myself distinct-
ly older

Than I had reckoned if thou
hadst not been?
That does seem rather meant!

Nor does it help the case of one
who shrinks
From wholly unrequitable af-
fection,
When I reflect that every forward
mink

May turn her shameless gaze in
my direction.
The thought that she may offer to
be mine
Sends shivers down my
spine!

That horrid fear pursues me in the
day;
It plays the very dickens with
my slumbers.

Still there is much in what our
sages say,
That safety frequently is found
in numbers.

'Twere better to accept them all,
no doubt,
And let them fight it out!
—Touchstone, in London Mail.

THE PRICE OF POPULARITY

Three men I know, an aitchless
three,
Earne and Itch and Obbs,
Whose curious names appeal to

Earn and Itch and Obbs.
Daddy I hear the people shout,
"Are England (or Australia)
out?"

And "What's the score?" and
"What about
Earn and Itch and Obbs.

Long ere Australia won them
fame,
Obbs and Earn and Itch,
The British public knew each
name.

Obbs and Earn and Itch,
They said that Earn could bowl
and bat
And Obbs could play all bowling
pat,
And Itch would knock Australia
flat:

Obbs and Earn and Itch.

Thus far they've their level best,
Itch and Obbs and Earn,
And helped to win the second
test,

Itch and Obbs and Earn,
While Obbs imparts his various
views

In letters to the Evening News—
I'm sure the notion must amuse
Itch and Obbs and Earn.

And so good luck to every smack,
Itch and Earn and Obbs!
And may they bring the ashes
back,

Itch and Earn and Obbs!
And when the team have ceased
to roam,
And Itch, Earn, Obbs have cross-
ed foam,

I hope they'll bring three aitches
home,
Itch and Earn and Obbs!
—London Truth.

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MUSIC AND DRAMA

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I saw Robert B. Mantell back in the early nineties, when he was considered a young actor of considerable promise. "The Face in the Moonlight," and kindred plays were his offerings then. Ten years later he was touring the country playing Shakespear for the most part. The company conveyed the impression that it was very much on its uppers. The staging was most inadequate, and people were in the habit of extending sympathy to Mr. Mantell, who was regarded as going slowly down and out in a vain effort to realize his artistic ideals.

Then a half dozen years or so ago the New York papers came out one day with most flattering notices of a Shakespearian production which he had made there. He went on from success to success, and undoubtedly stands to-day generally recognized the most foremost exponent of Shakespeare on the continent.

Having thus watched his strange career I was naturally very much interested in his visit to Edmonton this week. He was greeted with a very large house at the Empire on Thursday, when he played "King Lear." The Mantell of twelve or fifteen years ago had not changed. The spirit of his work was essentially the same. He had a better company about him and the setting was superb. That was all the difference.

There are few more sorrowful figures in the world of the stage than that of the old mad king of Britain, and Mr. Mantell carries home with wonderful force the deep tragedy that pervades the role. The scene with Gloucester in the fourth act where he appears with the mock emblems of his kingly dignity upon him, and that in which he became reunited to Cordelia, have rare power.

The company with which Mr. Mantell surrounds himself is a wonderfully good one. The outstanding member of the cast is Mr. Fritz Leibner, whose Edgar was something to long remember. If there is one thing we must have in Shakespeare it is clear enunciation. The lack of this was a serious fault on the part of the bulk of the company, Mr. Leibner being a very decided exception. An audience can do without elaborate staging better than it can afford to lose any of the lines. Their beauty and dignity has carried many an unambitious production through.

THE INVESTOR

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Since the foregoing paragraph in reference to the month's bank clearings was written, the news comes that for the week ending Thursday Edmonton stood in sixth place with \$4,206,287, Calgary standing \$3,958,149, while Ottawa was \$4,627,792.

Another block, it is announced, will go up on Jasper Avenue during the summer, George Brown and Co. having obtained a ninety-nine year lease of the property at the southwest corner of Jasper and on which they propose to erect a ten storey structure, part of which is to be used for theatre purposes.

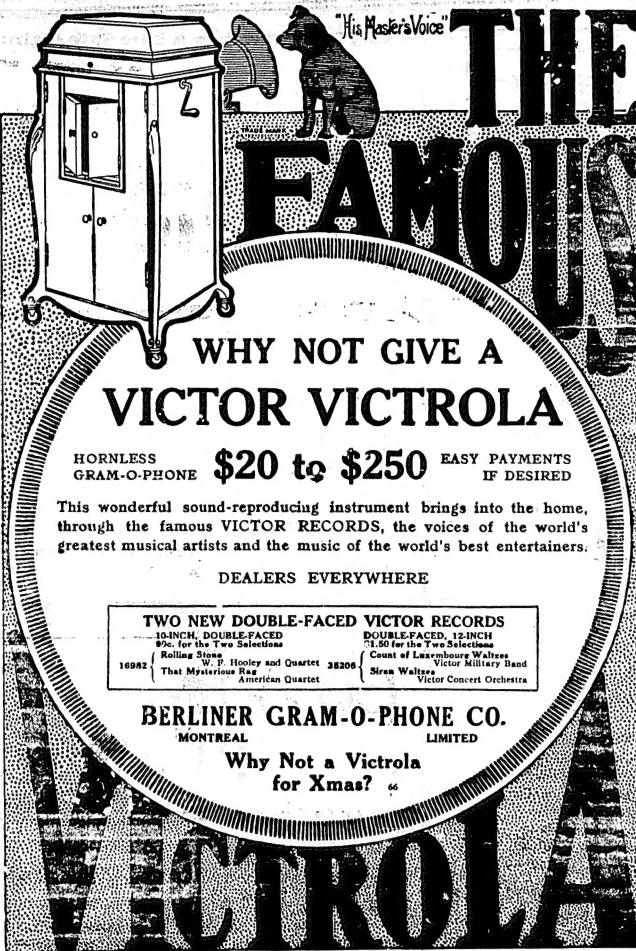
The Cochrane gold has pelered out about as quickly as did that in Manitoba. The Vancouver province had this to say editorially of the alleged discovery:—

"Cochrane, which is the locality of the alleged find, is in the foothills, and the formation of the country is decidedly mineral. Farther north, in the Edmonton district, there have been attempts at mining for years, and the Saskatchewan River is regarded by old prospectors as hoarding beneath its waters immense riches in the most precious of the metals. Indeed, as far back as 1880, that is over thirty years ago, a company was formed in Toronto for the purpose of dredging the Saskatchewan for gold. The enterprise, which had abundant capital behind it, failed just as all or most of the subaqueous mining ventures set afoot in Canada have failed, because the machinery used was not equal to the task of recovering the gold from the bottom of the river. That the gold was there, however, and is still there is the opinion of those who profess to have studied the country through which the river flows from its source."

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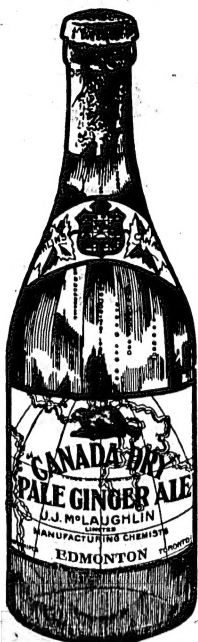
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First Election in Yale-Caribou

An Incident Truly Western in Its Informality.

By R. B. Bennett in the Canadian Courier

There are those in British Columbia who remember the incident in connection with the first election in Yale-Caribou constituency, represented in the new federal parliament by Hon. Martin Burrill, Minister of Agriculture. The incident was truly western in its informality.

When the Pacific province entered Confederation, Yale-Caribou covered a territory much more extensive even than now. At present it is one of the largest riding in the Dominion, but in the early days it stretched from the Fraser River to the eastern boundary of the province, a vast tract unknown except to the hardy horseman, the pioneer prospector or the railway engineer. In some of the interior valleys, in the Nicola, the Okanagan and the Similkameen, those inclined to the pastoral life had broken away from the army of argonauts bound Caribowards and taken up land. They were almost the only settlers in that portion of the interior of British Columbia. The route of entry was via Hope just below Yale, at that time head of navigation on the Fraser river, thence over the mountains by pack trail.

At the government office at Yale, Mr. Bushby was in charge. The first flush of the Caribou rush begun in 1858, had worn off, but there was still much business with the miners and traders as they

"Oh, yes, election," Bushby recollected, and, thinking himself, hunted up the printed poster he had received "nominations today" he declared, looking over his spectacles at the recent arrival from the capital, hoping for a denial.

Both got busy, for it was realized that no formal notice had been given of the event. Evidently elections in those days were not received with the noise and clatter that we have grown accustomed to in these modern days.

Finally, Constable George was awakened from his somnolent stretch in the sun and sent down town to round up some of the resident and acquaint them with the fact that the day for preliminary exercise of their new franchise was at hand. He reappeared with the blacksmith and an around-the-towner, the other electors being too busy watching the semi-weekly steamer arrive to bother about representation in a parliament reached only via San Francisco. It was too far away to second consideration. With the officials it was different. They had a duty to perform. Mounting on a chair, Bushby read the proclamation and, as returning officer, declared himself ready to receive nominations.

The two electors discussed the probables, but could not agree upon a suitable candidate.

"What about Col. Houghton?" the around-the-



New Organ Blower (complimenting organist on his proficiency in playing a voluntary): "By the way, I've blown that voluntary before."

passed through, mostly bound north. Life, however, was not so swirling that an official lost his head in the giddy round. Instead, there was plenty of time in which to take things easy. Important business cropped up but seldom.

Union with the other provinces had been talked of, and the decision to enter confederation had received its due share of discussion. The arrival of a miner bound out with a competence of gold was a subject to put it in the background. So when the official proclamation of the first election arrived, Bushby passed it over to attend to more pressing matters, and instead of the document being posted where all and sundry might view, it was shoved into a pigeon-hole unnoticed.

By-and-bye, along came R. B. McMichen, from Victoria. McMichen was inspector of the government telegraph line into the Caribou, purchased by the government from the company that began construction on the great telegraph project overland from New York to Paris, via Behring Strait. Mc-

town suggested.

Col. Houghton looked likely. He passed through Yale frequently, and was of the kind to do the province credit at the seat of government. At the end of the prescribed time no other name had been received and he was declared elected by acclamation. An onerous duty had been fulfilled.

The nominee's consent was not considered. It was a month or two before he learned of the honor that had been literally thrust upon him but he accepted. It was chronicled in a newspaper paragraph at the time that as Col. Houghton had not received notice in time, Yale-Caribou would not be represented at that session of parliament.

Like all good stories this has a sequel. Breathes there a man who has not done something and later thought of how he could have done it better? It was even so with the around-the-towner. While escorting the blacksmith to the scene of his labor, after the important nomination had been officially



WHEN THE CRAZE FOR SPEED IS OVER

Record attendance at a road race between two steam rollers—Puck.

Michen was an old friend of Bushby's and the two lobbied, discussed the various incidents which enlivened life on the coast in the early seventies.

"How does the election look?" enquired McMichen. Questions then were not much different from now. The world goes on, but constantly repeats.

dealt with, he was jarred into a stature-like attitude by a sudden brain evolution.

"Why didn't I think of it?" he ejaculated.

"What?" ventured the blacksmith.

"If I'd only thought of it," he regretted, "I might have nominated myself, and I would have been elected member."

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"Speakin' of being thrifty," said Hi Buck, "I reckon Cy Watson and his wife that came here from Iowa about takes the prize."

"How's that?" asked the stranger who was waiting in front of the blacksmith shop while his horse was being shod.

"Well, you see Cy and Mirandy wanted to celebrate their silver wedding. They had never celebrated any anniversary before because, as Mirandy told my wife, the silver wedding was the first one where the presents would be worth more than the victuals."

"Even then they worried a good deal for fear everybody would bring pickle-forks or butter-knives. But after a while they hit on an idea that worked first-rate."

"They wrote at the bottom of the invitations, asking the folks not to buy presents until they got there; for the jeweller from Buckeye Bridge would be in the yard with a full line of silverware, and no two pieces alike."

"That was clever," said the stranger. "Picked out their own presents, you might say."

"Yes," said Hi, "but that wasn't the best part of it. We larned afterward they dickered with the jeweller and got him to give them twenty per cent. on all he sold."

"That fellow is too slick for me. Sold me a lot that was two feet under water. I went around to demand my money back."

"Get it?"

"Get nothing! Then he sold me a second-hand gasoline launch and a copy of 'Venetian Life,' by W. D. Howells."

ing all right," murmured the new reporter, and, blushing, but over his typewriter.

"Bill—And you asked the father for his daughter's hand in marriage?"

Jill—Yes; last night.

Bill—What did he say?

Jill—He was very angry.

Bill—And what did you do?

Jill—I treated him as I would a king.

Bill—How so?

Jill—Why, I backed out of his presence.

Miss Ann Teek—I'd like to go shopping with you this afternoon, but the dentist is to fix my teeth."

Miss Pert—"Well, can't you shop with me while he's doing it?"

Tom—"She has a remarkably sweet voice."

Dick—"She ought to have. It cost me about 60 pounds of candy in the last six months."

The amateur artist was painting—sunset, red with blue streaks and green dots. The ol' rustic, at a respectable distance, was watching.

"Ah," said the artist, looking up suddenly, "perhaps you, too, nature has opened its sky picture, page by page! Have you seen the lambent flame of dawn leaping across the livid east; the red-stained, sulphurous islets floating in the lake of fire in the west; the ragged clouds at midnight, black as a raven's wing, blotting out the shuddering moon?"

"No," replied the rustic, "not since I gave up drink."

We are assured by Thomas A. Edison that there will be no poverty a hundred years hence. This is comforting, but will it be satisfactory to the bank managers who hold notes due on the 'seenth inst.—Vancouver Province.

Maud—"I've something to tell you. I'm engaged to Jack."

Ethel—"I am not surprised. Jack never could say 'no.'"

Winkleby gazed at the new triplets with fatherly pride, but not a little apprehension in his eye, nevertheless.

"What are you thinking, dear?" asked Mrs. Winkleby, softly.

"Nothing, dear, nothing," he said, falteringly, "only don't you think that it would be wiser for us



Upson: "He doesn't look very intelligent, does he?"

Downes: "No; but he knows that two millions and two millions make four millions."—Judge.

A gambler of the Tin Can borrowed a sum from a money lender, and when the note fell due said he could not settle.

"You must settle the money lender. 'If you don't settle I'll—'"

"Eat that not, or I'll let daylight through you!" And the money lender crumpled the note into a ball and with a gulp swallowed the pulpy morsel.

"That dose saved your life," said the gambler, in a mollified tone, and the next day he had a streak of luck and paid the money lender in full.

The money lender was much pleased with his honesty, and when the gambler a few weeks later called and asked for a new loan he was readily accommodated.

The gambler, having pocketed the new loan, sat down, dipped a pen in the ink and selected a sheet of paper, whereon to write the usual acknowledgment. But the money lender hastily interposed.

"Hold on, my friend," he said, and he ran to a cupboard.

"Wait a minute, my friend," he said, and "Wait a minute, my friend. Would you mind writing it on this soda cracker?"

"Go over and cover that big ball," the city editor told the new reporter. "They say that some society women are going to pull off some Oriental dances and there ought to be a good story in it."

The reporter went. When he came back somebody asked him, "How were the Oriental dances?" "Why—er—well—they—they needed cover-

hereafter to build up our little family on the installment plan?"—Harper's Weekly.

This is an antique yarn but hasn't made the rounds for some time.

An Irishman applied at a menagerie for a job. "Well," said the lion-tamer, "our pet lion died last week and we've kept the skin, so I'll give you two pounds a week to dress up as the lion."

"Right, sorr," said Pat.

So he dressed up as the lion and lay down in the cage. The menagerie doors were opened and the performance commenced.

"Ladies and gentlemen," said the trainer, "to show you the wonderful docility of these animals, we will now place the lion in the cage with the tiger."

"Man, are ye mad?" cried Pat. "Think of me wife and children!"

"Get in!" replied the keeper, "or I'll run this pitchfork through you!"

Pat thought he might as well die one way as another, so he crawled into the tiger's cage, and when he saw the animal's big, ferocious eyes fixed on him, he uttered a doleful wail and commenced praying in Irish. The tiger walked over to him.

"What's the matter wid ye?" said the keeper. "Shure, man, ye needn't be afraid. I'm Irish meself!"

Dr. Talmage, the famous American preacher, left an autobiography which will be published in Great Britain during the spring by Murfrees.

"LARKS" IN THE ABBEY

The upbringing of the royal family of England has been so wholesome and unaffected that the young princes and their sister are thoroughly normal youngsters. Their behavior during the brilliant and pompous ceremony of the coronation gave the needed touch of humor and naturalness to the occasion.

In Scribner's Magazine Mrs. Mary King Waddington writes that the younger brothers, absorbed in watching the Prince of Wales, in his unaccustomed finery, making obeisance to the King, leaned so far out over the edge of the royal box that they would have fallen to the floor of the abbey if their aunts had not firmly grasped them by their tightly stretched trousers.

When the Princess Mary and the three boys passed their older brother on leaving the abbey, the princess dropped him a pretty little courtesy, and his two next brothers, Albert and Henry, made very proper bows.

The last one, instead of bowing, gave him a kick on the shins. Apparently, this was resented as soon as they left the abbey, for some of our friends, who were standing on the pavement when the children, with no tutor or governess, passed in their carriage, said that there was a free fight going on, with kicks and cuff, that the Princess Mary with one hand was trying to separate the combatants and with the other holding on her crown, and that the delighted crowd was calling out: "Go it, young 'un! Go it! Give it him!"

PAYING FOR THE AUTO

"We must have a car!" declared Mother, "Those upstart De Peysters have one. We'll pay for it some way or other. As everyone seems to have done." Poor Father demurred, but quite vainly. For Mother was hot on his trail, so Pa bought the motor, a big yellow bloater, that looked like the overland mail.

Then Ma and the girls started touring. While Pa gave his trousers a yank, And hustled like crazy securing Extension of time from the bank. He mortgaged the farm and the horses, He mortgaged the oats and the hay, The chickens he'd wake up and give them a shake-up To make them lay twice in one day.

He took brother Jim out of college, And set him to work with a flail, For money is worth more than knowledge When debts must be met without fail. Poor Pa slaved from Monday till Monday, And got up each morn with the sun To pay for the motor Ma wanted to tote her Because the De Peysters had one. —William Wallace Whitelock in New York Times.

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Those who have passed through the little mining town of Frank at the entrance to the Crow's Nest Pass and viewed the great mass of rock which overwhelmed half of the community in 1903, burying the houses and their sleeping occupants more completely than the lava from Vesuvius did the people of Pompeii and Herculaneum, will be very much interested in the situation that has arisen here.

Last summer Mr. Brock of the Geological Survey gave it as his opinion that the part of Furtle Mountain that did not come down with the 1901 avalanche was in such a condition that the part of the town that remains might any day be overwhelmed. The people themselves scorned the idea. But a commission was appointed by the government which has very largely confirmed Mr. Brock's findings and has urged that the town should be moved.

One must sympathize with the men and women who may be thus forced to give up the homes that they have established after years of effort. And the effect on the coal mining enterprise which is the sole reason for the town's existence is, of course, ruinous. It represents an investment of two million dollars.

RECEPTION DAYS

Mrs. Bulyea will receive on Thursday, March 21, from five to six o'clock.

Mrs. Williamson Taylor will be at home at 746 Twenty-Fourth Street on Monday, March 18 and afterwards the third Monday of the month.

The engagement is announced of Miss Mari n MacKay, only daughter of the late W. K. MacKay to Mr. A. Howard Cameron of Fitzhugh. The marriage will take place early in June.

Mrs. S. J. Robertson, suite 401 Alexandra Block will receive on Wednesday, March 20, Miss MacKay will receive with Mrs. Robertson.

A BANKRUPT'S ADVENTUROUS CAREER

Romantic adventures in the career of Donald Francis Charles Stuart-Seton were described during his public examination in the London Bankruptcy Court. He stated that 15 or 16 years ago he was cattle ranching in Montana. His father died in 1884 and when debtor came of age about 18 years ago he received from his trustees £25,000, but after a year in London he ran through the greater part of it. He bought a share in the Montana ranch for £5,000, and sold out two years later for £1,200. Next he bought a share in the Green River Valley (mining claim) and got out with a profit of £800, and, as his share of the sale \$1,800.

He was next ranching for eleven months at El Paso, New Mexico, and then fitted out a treasure-hunting expedition for Yucatan, Central America. This lasted five months, and he drifted back to New Orleans with no means whatever. Then he went to Australia, and spent two months peering fishing at some islands north of Caroline Islands. The pearls he took to San Francisco, and sold for £6,000, and in a few days cleared £11,000. He went to New York and put £9,000 into an expedition to produce a revolution in Honduras. He lost his money. In 1896 he was in Matabeleland trading and cleared about £7,000. He joined the Bulawayo Field Force in the Matabele revolt, and going to Angola, Portuguese West Africa, made £1,500 trading.

He returned to England in 1898; next he tried British Columbia, and gave £2,000 for land at Cariboo Creek and found his land mineral value. He commenced to write short stories, and lost £1,500 on working a betting system. In 1909 he began to develop his Vancouver land, which was becoming of value for timber purposes. He mortgaged the land for £2,000, and put the £1,000 of his own into clearing the land, erecting saw mills, etc. The mills produced a profit of £20 per mill per quarter, but in August, 1911, a forest fire burnt out the whole of his claim. The mortgage foreclosed, and debtor's interest was entirely gone. He turned to an aviation scheme in Budge Row, which lacked capital and an option on a mine in Colorado, which fell through. His liabilities (£4,200) were mostly to moneylenders.

SAYS SALESMEN TIRE OF THE ROAD

"I suppose every man who works for a firm or corporation, wants to get into something else has dreams of some other line of endeavor which will bring to him wealth and contentment," observed George Moore of New York, in the Detroit Free Press. "I am one of the mighty army, and I can tell you that life on the road is getting tiresome. To some the travelling man has a perfect snap, calling on a high class of men, riding in the best trains and stopping at first-class hotels, but after years of it you look for the comforts of home."

"Sundays are long days because there is no work that can be done, and you are a long way from the folk you like, but it can't be helped. Again you find yourself at some country hotel on a holiday, and this is the worst of it all."

"The average travelling man has the farm bug badly. He kills time while going from city to city by looking at the farms and wishing he owned this one or that. He has no knowledge of the farm, but he has an idea that he would be a rip-snorter in a suit of overalls, and not a few of them are trying it. I wouldn't mind it myself, although I would not know a potato plant from a raspberry bush."



At the Opening of Parliament

Sir Wilfrid Laurier escorting Lady Laurier into the Parliament Buildings for the Formal Opening.

"GEORGIA CRACKER" DISAPPEARING FAST

That the many improvements, inventions and innovations of this modern age are changing the character of the "Georgia cracker" and that the next generation will see the passing of this picturesque figure so closely associated with the life and literature of Georgia, is the opinion of Patrick Pettibone, a man whose business takes him through the various counties of the state.

The term "cracker" is said to have originated from the practice of the drivers of teams from the country of cracking their long whips, residents of the towns first applying it to them and then to all of those living in the backwoods regions of the state. However it originated, every Georgian knows what a "cracker" means as applied in its present significance to any one, just as in other sections the term "rube" or "hill billy" is used.

It used to be considered that a "wine-grass cracker" was just about the worst sort of a cracker that could be found anywhere, but with the wonderful changes that have taken place in the wine-grass region in the past few years, it is said to be getting very hard to find a bona fide one.

Many of the old Georgia crackers were illiterate, but the introduction of the present system of county schools has done away with all that. The younger generation is getting good, practical education. Rural free delivery brings the mails to the door and a daily paper keeps a household up with the latest news of the day. Women keep up with modern styles. Telegraphs put neighborhoods in constant communication with each other. Good roads bring automobiles and teams constantly by doors, where before it was a rarity to see even a wagon pass, and these same good roads enable a farmer to carry his family often into the nearby towns, so they have more opportunity to see what is going on and being done by the residents.

New railroads are being built and many more proposed. The boys are learning scientific farming and girls scientific cooking, besides many other modern innovations, and in twenty-five years from now the "wine-grass cracker" bids fair to be an extinct species, or there will be only a few rare specimens left, which will be regarded as curiosities.



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